

## 2016 LSR SUMMIT EVALUATION SUMMARY

The Lifespan Respite Summit was held on March 9 at the Great Northern in Helena with approximately 84 persons in attendance. The agenda included Glen Fewkes from the National AARP Office who delivered the Keynote, a caregiver panel and ended out the day with a Roundtable discussion that focused on sustainability.

53 evaluations were returned. The summit rating was from 5 – 1 with 5 being the highest and 1 the lowest. The participants gave the following ratings to the questions

### 1. Did the summary meet my needs by: rating -5 (a great deal) - 1(not at all)

Rating	5	4	3	2	1	Not Rated
Providing presenter who were knowledgeable about the subject matter and effective in presentation style	48	5	-	-	-	-
Introducing information in an understandable manner?	47	6	-	-	-	-
Presenting material in an organized fashion?	42	11	-	-	-	-
Providing effective handouts and/or visual aids?	38	15	-	-	-	-
Increasing your knowledge of the subject matter?	40	13	-	-	-	-

### 2. Participant's Confidence in the Subject Matter Covered: rating (5-very high) – 1 (very low)

Rating	5	4	3	2	1	Not Rated
Before participating in the Summit, how would you have rated your knowledge of the subject matter	7	12	19	12	2	1
Now that you have participated in the Summit, please rate your knowledge of the subject matter	28	22	2	-	-	1

### 3. Overall effectiveness of the Summit: rating (5-very effective) – 1 (not at all)

Rating	5	4	3	2	1	Not Rated
Overall, how effective was this Summit?	45	9	-	-	-	-

### 4. Suggestions for Next Year's Summit

16 participants made comments in this section of the evaluation. 1 participant indicated that they would not change the format and 1 added that they would like more of the same as they know they have a lot more to learn. 5 participants included inviting legislators, the Governor and policy makers for at least

part of the day and to also include news media. 3 suggested allowing more time for the panel and more caregivers stories.

Topics suggested included providing more diversity in topics to include additional information about other state's successful programming including relief nurseries, incorporating training for those providing respite care, possible connections with colleges and universities on using practicum experiences for respite care and an awareness campaign "Lets Run for Respite"

## **5. Comments:**

23 participants commented about the Summit in general. Several of the comments were specific to the panel. These comments included: "Great Panel", "...The panel was good..." "the caregiver panel was eye-opening. To myself to highlights respite needs for not only senior caregivers but also for children with special needs & military families was great!", "Thank you for caring about me and other caregivers", "I thought it was very organized – the caregiver stories are very motivating!" ", "thanks for the opportunity! I really liked the personal experiences & really appreciated the presentation by Glen Fewkes, Very organized and to the point" "loved the caregiver panel" & "Great job- loved the panel".

Other general comments included "Very Good", "Excellent", "Great Info, I really enjoyed it and would love to come again and be more involved", "good presentations and information", "great job", roundtable discussions were helpful and informative", " Great Summit, Very informative session today!" "It was presented well," This was a very comfortable environment to learn about something very new to me Thank You!" "Great Day", " Very effective", "Excellent information", "Great job.... Wonderful Summit", "Enjoyed the speaker & all who supported the coalition", "Good job Kerrie & Jackie, The panel was good & Glen from AARP was very knowledgeable." Great Info – Thank you!", "It was very good", "Great info on a huge need in our state!" and "our mobile society has nearly deleted the option of family support".

Overall, the evaluations were very positive for the Summit.

Submitted by Jackie Stoeckel, Chair – Summit Committee - May 9, 2016